

## Message Text

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1. LABATT RAISED POINTS REFTEL (A) WITH THE CHIEF OF  
MINISTRY OF LABOR INTERNATIONAL SECTION, BERT ISACSSON,  
AND HIS PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT, BENGT LIDAL, WHO HAS JUST  
RETURNED FROM THE ILO MEETINGS IN GENEVA. LABOR MINISTRY  
REACTIONS TO US PROPOSALS ARE VERY SIMILAR TO  
THOSE REFLECTED PREVIOUSLY BY MFA, AS REPORTED IN

REFS (B) AND (C). GOS DOES NOT SHARE OUR ALARM OVER THE PROPOSED "MODESTAZ EXPANSION IN THE NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES ON THE GOVERNING BOARD, PARTICULARLY SINCE IT BELIEVES IT WILL ASSURE RETENTION OF THE TREASURED "NORDIC SEAT" WHICH SWEDEN IS SCHEDULED TO OCCUPY NEXT. ISACSSON AID SWEDEN FEELS THAT SPAIN WILL RECEIVE THE "NORDIC SEAT" IF NO EXPANSION TAKES PLACE. ON THE QUESTION OF TITULAR SEATS, SWEDEN AS A SMALL NATIONA FINDS ITSELF IN SYMPATHY WITH OTHER NON-HOLDERS OF THE PERMANENT SEATS.

2. THE GOS FEELS THAT "STRUCTURAL QUESTIONS" HAVE DOMINATED ILO AFFAIRS FOR TOO LONG AND HAVE TURNED ATTENTION AWAY FROM THE TECHNICAL WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION. GIVEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES, ISACSSON SAID, THE IMEC COUNTRIES REMAINING IN THE ILO HAVE CUT THE BEST DEAL THEY CAN WITH THE G 77. GOS DOES NOT FEEL THAT THE PROPOSED CHANGES IN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATION WILL NECESSARILY HAVE ANY IMPACT ON THE EMPLOYER OR WORKER GROUPS POINTING OUT THAT THE SOVIET UNION WAS QUITE IGNORED AT THE RECENT GENEVA SESSIONS WHEN IT TRIED TO LINK THE QUESTION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE OTHER TWO GROUPS WITH THAT OF THE GOVERNMENT GROUP.

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3. ISACSSON REITERATED GOS UNHAPPINESS WITH THE ILO ON THE APPLICATION OF CONVENTIONS QUESTION AND ITS STRONG DESIRE THAT THE US REAFFILIATE WITH THE ILO. HE CONCLUDED BY STRESSING THAT THE GOS WELCOMES THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE CONSULTING WITH THE US ON ILO QUESTIONS AND CONSIDERS THE IMEC A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT.  
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